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March 13, 2022

Tia Groves  
Task Order Contracting Officer Representative (TOCOR)  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
William Jefferson Clinton Building  
Washington, DC 20460

Re: February 2022 Progress Report, Strategic Positioning of EPA's Research and Development  
Enterprise to Inform Future Environmental Protection: The Road Ahead, Contract #68HERC19D0011,  
Task Order #68HERC20F0314

Dear Ms. Groves:

In February, Academies project staff supported the work of committee subgroups involved in preparing draft text for the committee's report. That work included gathering background information requested by the committee, arranging for subgroup meetings, and compiling and refining text developed by individual members. Project staff also surveyed members concerning their availabilities for future committee meetings.

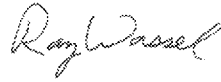
The National Academies Contracting Officer submitted a request for a no-cost extension of the project performance period to the EPA Contracting Officer. That request followed earlier discussions the Responsible Staff Officer (RSO) had with the TOCOR and other EPA/ORD personnel of the intention to formally request a no-cost extension because more time is needed for the committee to finish its information-gathering, prepare a draft report, and complete the National Academies report review process. Then the prepublication version and final published version of the committee's report are to be prepared.

Financial information for February 2022

<b>Cost Category</b>	<b>Expenditures (\$)</b>
Labor Cost	<b>Ex. 4 CBI</b>
ODCs	
Overhead	
G&A	
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,078.18</b>

The total expenditures since inception are \$555,790.06. Attached are (1) a table of monthly labor costs, cumulative labor costs, total monthly expenditures, cumulative total expenditures, and the percentage of the total potential award spent, and (2) figures showing a comparison of total funds spent and labor costs, cumulative funds spent by activity (excluding labor), and cumulative hours worked by staff.

Sincerely,



Raymond Wassel  
Responsible Staff Officer

cc: Andrea Dehne, (CO), U.S. EPA  
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EPA ORD Anticipatory Research  
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Total Dollars Spent (Thousand)

**Ex. 4 CBI**

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Comparison of Total Funds Spent and Labor Cost

— Cumulative total cost  
▨ Cumulative labor cost  
—▲ Budget

Dollars (thousands)

**Ex. 4 CBI**

Monthly

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Cumulative Funds Spent by Task (Excluding Labor)

Dollars spent

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⌘ Funds Spent this Period ⌘ Total funds spent to date

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Cumulative Hours Worked by Staff

■ Hours worked this month

Hours

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